

24 March 2010

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City of Anacortes Shoreline Master Program Final Ecology Submittal Re:

Dear Bob:

On behalf of the City of Anacortes, The Watershed Company is pleased to submit the final Shoreline Master Program (SMP) and associated documents per Department of Ecology (DOE) requirements. The City of Anacortes City Council passed a resolution on March 15, 2010 giving notice of their intent to adopt the SMP following DOE approval. Included in this submittal are the following documents:

- City Council Resolution
- 2. SMP (electronic and hardcopy)
- 3. Final Shoreline Analysis Report (electronic and hardcopy)
- 4. Final Cumulative Impacts Analysis (electronic and hardcopy)
- 5. Evidence of SEPA Compliance
- 6. Public Record (staff reports, public comments, response to comments [matrix])
- SMP Submittal Checklist

The City would also like to recognize the following future changes to the SMP that will be incorporated following DOE review.

- Table 5.1: Under "Aquaculture All other aquaculture" the City Council elected to allow aquaculture as a Conditional Use within the Urban and Urban Maritime environments. However, within the Aquatic designation this change was inadvertently missed. The Aquatic designation should also be listed as a Conditional Use with specific notation given to only allowing aquaculture in areas adjacent to Urban or Urban Maritime environments.
- Comments received from DOE dated February 5, 2010 were not incorporated prior to Council resolution. Future anticipated changes include the addition of regulations where they are absent from existing policy statements (see SMP submittal checklist).

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• As noted in the SMP Submittal Checklist, the Restoration Plan (SMP Appendix B) will be revised to add benchmarks and timelines where appropriate.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dan Nickel

Environmental Engineer

Enclosures

cc: Ryan Larson, City of Anacortes